

## ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.

A Boston Heiress Dying in Destitution at Parkersburg.

## WEALTHY BOSTON RELATIVES

Who Learn of Her Whereabouts After Fifteen Years—She Lived a Life of Shame and is in the Last Stages of Consumption.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 6.—Saturday evening there arrived from Boston a wealthy gentleman, of distinguished appearance, highly cultivated and bearing the genuine Boston polish. His name is J. W. Barnham, and he holds a very high position with the Fitchburg Railroad Company.

Yesterday morning Mr. Barnham, in company with Dr. Frame, went down to the filthy purities of the old Spencer House, and there they found the sister of Mr. Barnham's wife lying in abject poverty and far gone with consumption.

The girl's real name is Alice Breese. She is the daughter of wealthy parents, but she left home about fifteen years ago and none of her relatives had any knowledge of her whereabouts or condition until she was discovered here. She came to Parkersburg and as a woman of the town has been known by the name of Alice Morgan.

A few days ago some of her companions here, to whom she had given the address of her sister in Boston, told her sister was lying here in destitution and in the last stages of consumption. This was the first word that Mrs. Barnham had had of her erring sister for fifteen years.

Mr. Barnham has telegraphed to Boston for his wife to come and see her sister. She will arrive in a few days and will probably stay with the woman who she lives, unless good treatment would be a recovery, which is not probable.

Alice Breese's grandmother died at Albany, N. Y., four years ago, leaving a large estate at Wyoming, Pa., to Alice's mother, and at the latter's death it is to be divided among four children, of whom Alice is one.

After Mr. Barnham had made such preparations for her comfort and had telegraphed for his wife, Alice told him that she desired her sister Lizzie (Mr. Barnham's wife) to have her share of the property left them by their grandmother at Wyoming, Pa. This being Alice's wish, papers were drawn up to that effect by B. V. Archer, Esq. Alice Breese's acknowledgment was taken today by John T. Harris.

## ABDUCTED AGAIN.

Alice Jackman, the Chicago Heiress, Once More Kidnapped.

St. Louis, Jan. 6.—Alice Jackman has been abducted again. This is the youthful heiress who about a month ago was the central figure in an abduction case. At that time she was in the custody of Mrs. Brotherton, in whose hands she was placed by the Humane Society. Dr. Taylor, her guardian, who is being an orphan, wanted her one morning. She was seized by Charles Spink and others, placed in a carriage and taken to the House of the Good Shepherd; thence she was taken to Chicago. The case was in the courts and in due time she was brought back and on her own statement to the court that she wanted to live with her cousin, Mrs. Charles Spink, who was placed in their custody.

The question of guardianship is open. The girl is about 16, and the heiress to about \$25,000.

The child turned up at the house of Albert Spink, No. 2613 Dayton street, about 11 o'clock last night, drenched to the skin by rain, which was falling heavily, bareheaded, shoes unbuttoned and with a plaid garment over her head. Her story is that while going to the grocery last evening she was seized by two men, hustled into a covered wagon which was standing on an alley and driven to the house of Mrs. Brotherton, in the southern part of the city. There she was kept in the same room occupied when she was there before, and was told to go to bed. She did not retire, however, but when everything was still in the house she stole down stairs and escaped by the back door and ran through the back yard to the house of Mr. Spink. She says one of the persons who put her in the wagon was Charles Brotherton. Mrs. Brotherton, however, denies all knowledge of the affair.

## A BIT OF ROMANCE.

Worthy of the Day's of Chivalry—General Ybarra's Secret for the Lady of His Love and His Reward.

CARACAS, Jan. 6.—The appointment by President Paul of General Alejandro Ybarra to be commander of the local force illustrates the fickleness of Venezuelan politicians and also recalls a bit of romance worthy of the days of chivalry. When Judge Russell, of Massachusetts, was the United States diplomatic agent here, General Blanco was in the zenith of his power and moulded the people to his will with a hand of iron. He was absolute dictator with powers as great as those of Pompey or Caesar. When this modern Ybarra frowned death filled the air. When he spoke all heeded well his words. Ybarra was a general in the army at the time, a general in the army and a general in the navy and grace of Judge Russell's daughter captivated his warm but warlike heart, and the proud Venezuelan was led captive by a light-hearted American girl with no care or trouble. But, care had trouble came all too soon. Ybarra and Miss Russell were engaged, but the contemplated union did not please Guzman. And then one of Judge Russell's reports was published and the contents so angered the dictator that he ordered Ybarra to leave the country. Ybarra refused to do, and he was offered the alternative of expatriation or wealth and honors in Caracas. Overcome with indignant rage, Ybarra broke his sword across his knee and hurried from Ybarra to his bride.

## THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

A Secret Session at Rochester—The Clubs Represented.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 6.—The directors of the American Baseball Association met at the Hotel Livingston this morning. There are present representatives from St. Louis, Philadelphia, Columbus, Baltimore, Toledo, Louisville, Syracuse and Rochester. The meeting is taken in the future being admitted. Syracuse is working for admission, and will doubtless succeed.

## A WINDOW GLASS TRUST.

Said to Have Been Formed in Pittsburgh. An Advance of Ten Per Cent.

Boston, Jan. 6.—It is stated here that an American Window Glass Trust has been formed at Pittsburgh. The twelve large American importers of window glass met the past week at Young's Hotel, Boston, and after considerable discussion agreed upon an advance of 10 per cent. Prices abroad have risen very sharply about 30 per cent, by reason of the advance in raw materials.

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Governor Warmouth, of Louisiana, was the next witness. He said it was strange to find representatives of protection interests in the north and west crying aloud for a "free breakfast table."

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## WASHINGTON NEWS.

West Virginia Election Cases Will Not Be Delayed.

## EXCEPT BY FILIBUSTERING

On the Part of the Democrats—Silk and Sugar Men Want Protection.

A Southern Sugar Man Talks Very Plainly.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6.—Under call of the House for bills to-day, a number of private bills were introduced by West Virginia members. The following were introduced by Mr. Pendleton: For the relief of William Dillon, of Wheeling, for use of a steamboat; for the relief of J. K. Botford, of Wheeling, \$1,000 for destruction of property; for the relief of A. J. Zook, of Gilmer county, \$1,000; to place Abram Shriver, of Tyler county, on the pension rolls as a dependent father; to remove charge of desertion against H. P. McMaisters, of Lewis county.

Mr. Smith's case will be presented before the Election Committee tomorrow by C. C. Cole, its attorney. One of the most prominent of the Republican members of this committee stated to-day that in his opinion there would not be the least division among the majority as to the merits of all the West Virginia cases. A favorable and speedy report on each of them is as near certain as any of them can be. The one element of doubt in the whole matter lies in the difficulty of holding a quorum in the House after the reports are made.

## THE OHIO LEGISLATURE.

The Organization—Gov. Foraker's Message. No New Developments in the Senatorial Line.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 6.—There have been no new developments in the Senatorial situation to-day, the time of members being taken up in the opening of the Legislature. The joint committee has done nothing as yet in regard to the time of holding of the Senatorial caucus, but it is thought it will not take place before Thursday next.

The Legislature met promptly and all the officers nominated by the caucus, and the members of the Senate and House were sworn in. Then the Governor's message was received and read.

A synopsis of Gov. Foraker's message will be found on the third page of this morning's Intelligencer. The message contains many indications that do not show any material change in the relative strength of the candidates to-night. A poll of the Democratic members of both branches has been made and the discrepancy was not great. The members unpledged and non-committal in the contest. This rather discourages some of the claims which have been made by the respective candidates.

## A TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

Five Miners Imprisoned and Rescued Almost by a Miracle.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 6.—At the Nottingham mine in Plymouth, this evening, where the disastrous cave-in occurred last week, about 10 o'clock, a terrible explosion of gas occurred. The timber at once caught fire and burned furiously. Five men were caught between the cave-in and the fire and all manner of exit was cut off.

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In the Neighborhood of the State Printing Office.

Printers Under Suspicion Of Betraying a State Secret to the Intelligencer—This Paper's Review of the Report Worries the Brethren.

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CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 6.—Since the arrival of last Friday's INTELLIGENCER, containing the exclusive publication of a complete review of the report of the majority of the gubernatorial committee, the air has been blue about the State printing office. How the INTELLIGENCER got possession of what has been guarded as a "State secret," which, like the Governor's call of the Legislature, was to be given only to the Democratic press, in advance and a "proper time," puzzled everybody from the State Printer down to the "devil" and the office cat. That the INTELLIGENCER had in some way or other come into possession of a copy of the report, or an abstract of it, and had secured the Democratic press on a piece of news handled only by Democrats was clear enough. After reading the INTELLIGENCER's article this morning, the members of the gubernatorial committee, who were in the room of the State printing office, were aware of the contents of the paper made known soon enough to give the State press a chance to comment on it before the Legislature meets.

## DRIVEN TO DESPERATION.

Dr. Kniffin Discouraged at the Public Sentiment Against Him and Attempts Suicide.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 6.—Dr. Kniffin, the husband of the woman who was found smothered to death in bed last Friday morning, took an ounce of arsenic and gashed his wrists and throat with a razor at his home this morning between one and two o'clock. Doctors and Cooper were summoned and had to work for an hour to extricate him from the flow of blood as the jugular vein had not been reached. The cut in the throat was four inches long, but the wrist wound is immaterial. Owing to the largeness of dose of arsenic it acted as an emetic and was all thrown off. The doctor is out of danger. He says he attempted his life because he was discouraged at the strong tide of public feeling against him.

## MURDERED BY HORSE THIEVES.

A Camping Party Attacked in Texas—Two Men Killed.

FORT DAVIS, TEX., Jan. 6.—A band of Mexican horse thieves ambushed a camping party consisting of three men, two women and four children in a canyon near Oahuahua Saturday and shot and killed two of the men. The murderers took the remainder of the party that they supposed them officers. A party guard was sent to arrest the Mexicans and if caught they will be summarily dealt with.

## THE WEST END SCANDAL.

Trials of Prominent Men For Attempting to Spirit Witnesses Away.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The trial of Arthur Newton, the solicitor, Frederick Taylor, his clerk, and Adolphus DeGall, the interpreter, who were arrested on the charge of conspiring to defeat justice in connection with the West End scandal, began before Magistrate Vaughan in the Bow Street Police Court today. A lad named Algernon Allie testified that he had resided in the Cleveland Street house and that he had received notices for imminent purposes. He had destroyed letters that he had received from Lord Arthur Somerset. Allie admitted that he had stolen valises from a club in which he had been employed as a waiter. He was not imprisoned in the morning, but was released on bail for £100,000. The witness stated that subsequent to the exposure of the scandal Taylorson had tried to induce him to go to America.

## THE KAISER'S PERSONALITY.

He Appears More and More the Mastermind of the German Government.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The New Year's letter of Emperor William to Prince Bismarck has aroused considerable discussion over what is called the aggressiveness of the Executive of Germany. The fact which strikes the critics since this accession of William III, is that the Emperor figures more and more as the mastermind of the government and the ministerial party more and more into the background, while the legislative bodies and even the minor sovereigns sink into comparative insignificance. This is a departure from the method of William I, who appeared during his life time rather as the instrument and supporter of his ministers than as the spontaneous controller of all that was done, although the light that has since been thrown upon many important transactions shows that the Emperor was often really the prime mover where the least suspected of independent action.

## ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

A Chicago Family Brutally Beaten and Robbed by Thugs.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—One of the most daring instances of assault and robbery recently committed was perpetrated at the home of Bernhard Block, 57 Liberty street, yesterday afternoon. At that time six men entered the house and seized Mr. Block. They demanded money, and when refused assaulted him in a most brutal manner. He called loudly for help, and when members of his family interfered they were also brutally beaten and abused. The men were attracted by Mr. Block's cries for help, and they entered the house the robbers knocked Mr. Block down, kicked him in the face, sides and stomach, leaving him insensible. The crowd of thugs then left the premises, and shortly after the police arrived. No trace of the robbers has been made. The thieves secured but little plunder.

## A REGULAR BLIZZARD.

Kansas Has Enough Cold Weather to Spare. A Snow Storm.

EMPORIA, KAN., Jan. 6.—The worst blizzard of the season struck this place yesterday afternoon and has been in progress ever since with a fierce north-west wind, accompanied by snow. The thermometer fell 52 degrees in a few hours and this morning was as low as 24 below zero. This evening snow has fallen so deep that it is feared travel on the railroads will be delayed.

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